

SPECIAL MEETING OF BERKELEY COUNTY COUNCIL

Chairman:	Mr. James H. Rozier, Jr., Supervisor
Vice Chairman:	Mrs. Judith K. Spooner, District No. 2
	Mr. Milton Farley, District No. 1
	Mr. William E. Crosby, District No. 3
	Mr. Charles E. Davis, District No. 4
	Mr. Steve M. Vaughn, District No. 5
	Mrs. Judy C. Mims, District No. 6
	Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., District No. 7
	Mr. Henry L. Richardson, Jr., District No. 8

A SPECIAL MEETING OF BERKELEY COUNTY COUNCIL was held on Monday, August 20, 2001, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Office building, 223 North Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 7:23 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. James H. Rozier, Jr., Supervisor, Chairman; Mr. Milton Farley, Councilmember District No. 1; Mrs. Judith K. Spooner, Councilmember District No. 2; Mr. William E. Crosby, Councilmember District No. 3; Mr. Charles E. Davis, Councilmember District No. 4; Mr. Steve M. Vaughn, Councilmember District No. 5; Mrs. Judy C. Mims, Councilmember District No. 6; Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Councilmember District No. 7; Mr. Henry L. Richardson, Jr., Councilmember District No. 8; and Mr. D. Mark Stokes, County Attorney.

The requirements of the Freedom of Information Act have been complied with by posting the time, date, place and copy of Agenda of this Special Meeting of Berkeley County Council at the entrance to the Berkeley County Office Building, 223 N. Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, and a copy of such notice was mailed to all Councilmembers and the News media.

Chairman Rozier called the meeting to order and stated the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag had been done at an earlier meeting.

Chairman Rozier stated an Executive Session was needed to discuss matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the County; or the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the County in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the County of a claim; and personnel matters.

It was moved by Councilmember Spooner and seconded by Councilmember Spooner and seconded by Councilmember Crosby to go into Executive Session for the reasons stated. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of Council.

Berkeley County Council entered Executive Session at 7:26 p.m. and returned at 7:56 p.m.

Mr. Stokes stated Berkeley County Council went into Executive Session to discuss matters as stated in the motion; no action was taken.

Chairman Rozier explained that actions could not be taken in Executive Session. They are limited as to what they can discuss and action can only be taken in public.

Next was First Reading of **Bill No. 01-41**, an Ordinance to amend **Ordinance No. 96-7-35** to provide for a modification of the amount of fire fees assessed throughout the unincorporated areas of Berkeley County.

Chairman Rozier explained there is no discussion or vote on Bills for First Reading; it simply puts it into process. He stated he had several phone calls concerning this issue and the questions were why were we rushing it through so quickly. He stated it's not that it's being rushed through but if this Bill is going to be considered by Council there is a certain schedule that has been followed to get it on the tax bills this year. Chairman Rozier stated Third Reading would have to be completed by the first part of September because tax bills could not be held after that. He is not saying to Council that this is what they have to do but that's the schedule that has to be followed in order to get it into process.

Chairman Rozier stated without objection he would like to address two things. The Charleston Regional Development Alliance has an opening and they would like to have a person from Industry on the board. He stated he is recommending Larry J. Debevec, the General Manager of Corning, Incorporated in Crowfield.

It was moved by Councilmember Vaughn and seconded by Councilmember Pinckney to approve the recommendation. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of Council.

Chairman Rozier stated the other matter is that the County has not had a Finance Director for some time. He stated he was moving in a different direction and has discovered that's probably not the best way to go. The County has not hired the Internal Auditor or the Staff CPA, and he would like to combine the salary of those two positions and advertise for a Finance Director. Chairman Rozier stated that would yield a savings of \$13,281 for this year's budget and a savings of \$19,179 in next year's budget.

It was moved by Councilmember Crosby and seconded by Councilmember Farley to approve the request to hire a Finance Director. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of Council.

It was moved by Councilmember Vaughn and seconded by Councilmember Crosby to adjourn. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of Council.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

S/Barbara B. Austin
Clerk of County Council

September 24, 2001
Date approved

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF BERKELEY COUNTY COUNCIL

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There will be a **SPECIAL MEETING** of **BERKELEY COUNTY COUNCIL** on **Monday August 20, 2001**, in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Office Building, 223 N. Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, following the meeting of the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Public Works and Purchasing, the Committee on Land Use, the Committee on Planning and Development and Public Hearings at **6:00 p.m.**

A G E N D A

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PUBLIC DISCUSSION – Requests to be heard must be made prior to Call to Order and comments must be limited to Agenda items being considered for final action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the county; or the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the County in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the County of a claim.

FIRST READING:

A. **Bill No. 01-41**, an Ordinance to amend **Ordinance No. 96-7-35** to provide for a modification of the amount of fire fees assessed throughout the unincorporated areas of Berkeley County.

[Recommended by Committee on Justice and Public Safety]

ADJOURNMENT

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

August 15, 2001
S/Barbara B. Austin
Clerk to County Council